

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: McCarthy, *et al.*  
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Title: POLYNUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE ENCODING CYSTEINE PROTEASE FOR  
MODULATION OF COFFEE FLAVOUR PRECURSOR LEVELS IN GREEN  
COFFEE GRAINS  
Art Unit: 1652  
Examiner: Sheridan Swope  
Docket No.: 3712036.00667

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Examiner:

In response to the final Office Action dated November 5, 2009, please consider the following remarks intended to place the application in condition for allowance:

**Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.**